

REMARKS

Claims 19-34 were pending when last examined. With this Response, Applicants have amended Claims 19 and 28 to correct minor informalities. All pending claims are shown in the detailed listing above.

Specification

According to the Examiner, “The title of the invention is not descriptive. A new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.” In response, Applicants have amended the title to be “System and Method For Application Sharing In Collaborative Setting.”

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 102

Claims 19-34 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Ludwig et al. (US Patent No. 5,884,039). Applicants respectfully traverse.

Claims 19-34 contain limitations which are simply not disclosed in Ludwig et al. For example, Claim 19 recites *inter alia*, “A system for application sharing in collaborative setting comprising: a web zone for allowing a plurality of client computers to access the system via a global-area network, the web zone having at least one web server; a meeting zone for supporting an on-line conference among the plurality of client computers, the meeting zone having a meeting manager, a plurality of collaboration servers, and a plurality of application servers...” Not all of these limitations are disclosed in Ludwig et al.

The Examiner asserts that such limitations are disclosed at “Column 8 Lines 15-26” and “Column 20 Lines 5-37” of Ludwig et al. But that is simply not the case. The Examiner does not specify what elements in the cited portions of Ludwig et al. correspond to each of the “system for application sharing in collaborative setting,” the “web zone,” the “meeting zone,” the “meeting manager,” the “plurality of collaboration servers,” and the “plurality of

application servers,” as required by Claim 19. The Examiner cannot do so because not all of these limitations are present in Ludwig et al. In order to maintain the rejection of Claim 19 as being anticipated by Ludwig et al., the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to specifically point out which items in Ludwig et al. correspond to each of the limitations recited in Claim 19. Otherwise, this rejection based on Ludwig et al. cannot stand.

For at least the reasons discussed above, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of Claim 19 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Ludwig et al. be withdrawn and this claim be allowed. Furthermore, because each of Claims 20 through 27 depend from Claim 19 and include further limitations, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of these dependent claims under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) also be withdrawn and these claims allowed.

Claim 28 recites *inter alia*, “A method for application sharing in a collaborative setting supported by a system having a web zone and a meeting zone, wherein the meeting zone has a meeting manager, a plurality of collaboration servers, and a plurality of application servers,...” Similar to Claim 19, as discussed above, the Examiner does not specify what elements in Ludwig et al. correspond to each of these limitations of the “system,” the “web zone,” the “meeting zone,” the “meeting manager,” the “plurality of collaboration servers,” and the “plurality of application servers,” recited in Claim 28. Again the Examiner cannot do so because Ludwig et al. does disclose each of these limitations. Unless the Examiner can specifically point out which items in Ludwig et al. correspond to each of the limitations recited in Claim 28, the present rejection of Claim 28 cannot stand.

For at least the reasons discussed above, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of Claim 28 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Ludwig et al. be withdrawn and this claim be allowed. Furthermore, because each of Claims 29 through 34 depend from Claim 28 and include further limitations, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of these dependent claims under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) also be withdrawn and these claims allowed.

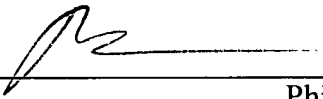
CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request that the pending claims be allowed and the case passed to issue. Should the Examiner wish to discuss the Application, it is requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned at (415) 772-7428.

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